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SUBJECT: EUROPEAN COUNCIL, JULY 17: PORTUGAL

REFS: A) EC BRUSSELS 6426

B) EC BRUSSELS 6487

1. ON JULY 17 THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON PORTUGAL: BEGIN TEXT: THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL REAFFIRMS THAT THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IS WILLING TO DISCUSS CLOSER ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CO-OPERATION WITH PORTUGAL. IT ALSO POINTS OUT THAT THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY - IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS EUROPEAN POLICY AND HISTORY TO DATE - CAN ONLY SUPPORT A PLURALIST DEMOCRACY. END TEXT.

2. IN THE COUNCIL MEETING THE EC HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AND FOREIGN MINISTERS AGREED THAT THE INVITATION TO THE PORTUGUESE TO COME TO BRUSSELS FOR TALKS ON JULY 22 SHOULD BE REPEATED BY THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO PORTUGUESE FOREIGN MINISTER ANTUNES DURING HIS ONE-DAY
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VISIT TO ROME ON JULY 18. THE ITALIANS ARE TO MAKE

CLEAR THAT WHILE THE COMMUNITY IS READY TO LISTEN TO PORTUGAL'S REQUESTS FOR AID, SUCH AID WILL ONLY BE GRANTED UPON RESTORATION OF "PLURALIST DEMOCRACY" IN PORTUGAL. IN THIS CONNECTION, UK FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN, IN AN ON-THE-RECORD PRESS BRIEFING, SAID "WE ARE NOT IN THE BUSINESS OF FINANCING DICTATORSHIPS IN EUROPE."

3. THE FRENCH, WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY OPPOSED COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FOR PORTUGAL, APPARENTLY REVERSED THEIR VIEW AS A RESULT OF A SERIES OF TELEPHONE CALLS MADE BY PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST LEADER SOARES TO EC COMMISSION PRESIDENT ORTOLI AND TO VARIOUS EUROPEAN SOCIALIST LEADERS. SOARES REPORTEDLY URGED THAT THE COMMUNITY NOT WITHDRAW ITS OFFER OF ASSISTANCE BUT THAT IT ADD EXPLICIT CONDITIONS TO THE OFFER SPECIFYING THE RESTORATION OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS IN PORTUGAL. GREENWALD

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